

HOUSE RESOLUTION 69

By Bone

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame on the occasion of the organization's inauguration.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those venerable organizations that are dedicated to recognizing the importance of farming in our society; and

WHEREAS, agriculture has been a cornerstone of Wilson County since the county's founding in 1799, and those citizens involved in agriculture have always been a vital part of the community; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the recently established Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame is to recognize those estimable citizens who have distinguished themselves as agriculturists of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Inaugural Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame Banquet will be held on April 3, 2007, at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center in Lebanon, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, each year four individuals who have had a significant impact on agriculture in Wilson County, the State of Tennessee, and our Nation, will be inducted into the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame, with no more than two inductees being deceased; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional individuals to be inducted into the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame during the 2007 Inaugural Banquet are: Alvin McKee, Claude S. Harris, James E. Ward, and the late William Haskell Neal; and

WHEREAS, future plans for the Hall of Fame include a building, to be erected on the grounds of the James E. Ward Agricultural Center, to house significant artifacts and pictures of the inductees; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame's Board of Directors are: Stratton Bone, Chairman; Ben Powell, Vice Chairman; Keith Harrison, Secretary; Diane Major, Treasurer; Hale Moss, Member; and Ruth Correll, Member; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame honors those dedicated farmers who committed their lives to developing and maintaining the highest agricultural standards and principles, and should be specially recognized on the occasion of its inaugural banquet and induction class; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby recognize and commend the Board of Directors and members of the Wilson County Agricultural Hall of Fame on the occasion of the organization's inauguration, and we commend the 2007 Hall of Fame inductees for their outstanding contributions to farming in the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.